

SIGSBEE IS WARNED.

AN INCENDIARY CIRCULAR WAS SENT HIM TWO WEEKS AGO.

Watch Out for Your Ship, It Said—Secretary Long Said to Have Warned Merchants Not to Undertake Long Voyages in Southern Waters Just at Present.

New York, February 19.—The Herald says: "Captain Sigsbee of the Maine was warned of an impending disaster to his vessel two weeks before the catastrophe occurred."

"Mrs. Sigsbee received a letter from her husband some days ago, in which was enclosed a circular in Spanish anti-Americanizing Americans and the American navy. On the left edge of the circular, which was printed on cheap paper, was the rude form of a hand with the index finger pointing to two words, which were underlined, and which, in English mean 'rotten squadron.' At the bottom of the circular were two words in English, written with a pen, the handwriting being fair: 'Look to your ship.'"

"The circular ends with these words: 'Death to the Americans; death to autonomy; long live Spain; long live Weyler.'"

Congress Wants Investigation.

Washington, February 19.—A debate decided in its sensational way, unexpectedly precipitated in the senate yesterday over the consideration of the resolution of the committee on naval affairs to investigate the disaster to the Maine. An arrangement has been made for the adoption of the resolution with a minor amendment without debate.

Mr. Mason (Ill.), however, proposed a substitute providing for an investigation to be conducted by a joint committee of the two branches of congress. Upon this the Illinois senator, disregarding the wish to prevent a discussion, made a speech in which he said the people demanded the whole truth concerning the explosion and declared that they would not be satisfied with the investigation to be conducted by the officers of the navy, who would virtually try their own case and would cover up any blame that might show attached to them. He forcibly denounced the policy of the government in dealing with the Cuban question, into which he went at length, and declared that the United States had adopted the policy of Spain in putting off everything until tomorrow.

Sharp replies to Mr. Mason's speech were made by Mr. Wolcott and Mr. Lodge.

Mr. Wolcott declared that not a patriotic citizen in this broad land has not the fullest and splendid and glorious confidence in every department of the government and in the department of the navy particularly. Mr. Wolcott thought this was a time when we should refrain from gratuitous insult to a friendly nation and from unjust and ignorant criticism.

"War may come," said he; "I think myself the day may not be far distant. When that day comes our course must be firmly grounded in the right. War is a grim decision and when it comes it must be so that the people of the world can at least respect our conduct and our position. And above all, it must come under circumstances which make us respect ourselves."

Mr. Lodge in a brief but brilliant speech defended the honor of the navy and Secretary Long and the naval officers.

The resolution which precipitated the discussion finally went to the calendar.

Official Summary.

Washington, February 19.—The navy department has compiled the following summary showing the total results of the Maine disaster from all available official information up to the close of the department tonight:

Total number officers and men on board Maine 255
Total number of officers 26
Total men 329
Total officers saved 24
Total men saved 26
Total officers lost 2
Total men lost 246
Total officers injured 0
Total men injured 57
Doubtful men 7

The seven appearing as doubtful represent the number whose lives have been saved but who can not be identified at present on account of errors in the transmission of telegrams.

Two men reported as having died in hospital are included in the total of 246 appearing above as having been lost.

Guarding the Vizcaya.

New York, February 19.—Lieutenant Sharp of the United States army, bearing letters from Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt, called at police boat patrol he designated to watch about the Vizcaya. Captain Vredenburg, who was in command, said he had no authority to act upon the request, but that he would submit it to Chief McGough. It is believed that ample precautions will be taken to prevent anything happening to the Vizcaya.

Attempt to Mob Zola.

Paris, February 19.—There were riotous proceedings after the adjournment of the assizes court yesterday and M. Zola barely escaped lynching by the mob outside. On leaving the palace of justice all the officers were acclaimed by the crowd outside the building and General Pellieux, who descended the steps bareheaded, was given a great reception. Major Esterhazy was greeted with shouts, "Vive l'Armee!"

The police were powerless to manage the immense crowds and several Jews were the objects of insults and menaces. There was a general fight.

The mob threw itself on the Jews shouting, "Death to the Jews," and "Throw the Jews into the Seine." Finally the republican guard was obliged to charge the rioters and cleared the square. The crowd fell back cheering for the army and singing the "Marseillaise" and shouting, "Spit on Zola."

M. Zola left the palace of justice at 5:30 and immediately after he had emerged from the building was greeted with a storm of blows and derisive cries and the authorities were obliged to protect his carriage with a double cordon of police.

On reaching the St. Michael bridge the mob made a murderous rush for the carriage, but the police threw themselves between the vehicle and the mob and a number of miniature battles ensued. Ultimately the police drove the mob back and M. Zola was enabled to proceed without further trouble. A number of arrests were made, but all those who were taken into custody were released later in the day.

Murderer Henry Hanged.

Decatur, Texas, February 19.—Geo. Henry, colored, was hanged here yesterday evening. At least 10,000 people witnessed the execution. The condemned man slept well last night for several hours; the remainder of the time he devoted to singing and praying and continued to do so up to the hour of his departure to the gallows except when he was interrupted by visitors.

Sheriff Moore cut the rope at 2:50 and in eight minutes Henry was pronounced dead.

Henry made no statement on the gallows, but prayed and in his prayer declared his innocence. The colored people of Decatur took charge of the body.

Wants 12 Bases a Regiment

Dallas, Texas, February 19.—The people of Dallas are greatly excited over the blowing up of the cruiser Maine. The opinion prevails generally that the Spanish authorities are either directly or indirectly concerned in the affair. The feeling of Dallasites is shown in the following telegram sent to President McKinley last night by a man who was captain of a company of the Fifth Iowa regiment during the civil war and a Union officer. The President, Washington, D. C.:

In case of trouble with Spain, please give me authority to raise a regiment of ex-Confederates. I will enlist as private.
Dan S. Malvern.

Mexican Indentified.

Goliad, Texas, February 19.—The two Mexicans who assaulted Mrs. Harding and Mrs. Dunn, reported on the 17th, were arrested Thursday in the Mexican town, La Bahia. Their names are Tomas Butters and Miguel Gomez. The two injured women came to town and identified them from among a number of other Mexicans. The examining trial will be held today.

Meek Not Yet Appointed.

Washington, February 19.—The nomination of Mr. Meek for the district judgeship has not yet gone to the senate. The friends of Ogden and Burns have not given up the fight, although the president has told several people that he had made up his mind irrevocably. He did not say, however, how or in whose favor he had made up his mind, and the Texas people are still fighting Meek.

Lawless Condition in Alaska.

Washington, February 19.—Secretary Bliss is in receipt of a letter from Governor John Bradley, descriptive of the lawless condition of affairs at Skagway, Alaska. It was referred to at the cabinet meeting when the Alaskan affairs were under discussion, and was considered sufficient justification by the members for the dispatch of additional military force already authorized to be sent to Alaska.

The Dominion government has decided not to issue certificates at Lake Tash and American ports. The miners will have to get them at Vancouver or Victoria.

Politics in Jackson County.

Edna, Texas, February 19.—County politics are beginning to grow very interesting and a lively campaign for county officers is anticipated. As yet no candidates excepting those for county attorney have made their public announcements. Four candidates have announced for sheriff.

Jackson county has heretofore quietly submitted to Victoria and DeWitt counties and permitted those counties to furnish the congressional and state representative timber. She will do this again.

IT WAS NO ACCIDENT

SAY THE SURVIVING SAILORS OF THE WRECKED MAINE.

They are Awaiting Some Action To Be Taken for the Punishment of Spain for It—They Were Given Warnings—Harbor was Full of Sunken Mines.

Jacksonville, Fla., February 21.—A special to the Times-Union and Citizen from Key West says: Sailors of the battleship Maine suffering from wounds in the Key West hospitals are smarting over the delay of the government in punishing what they term a Spanish outrage.

In their minds there is no doubt as to the cause of the accident, and they explain the delay in taking summary action by saying that the president is morally certain that there was no accident, and, wishing to deceive the Spaniards with a feeling of security, is using the short time to make the necessary preparations to enforce his ultimatum. If no action is taken, they say, not a man among them will again pace the deck of an American man-of-war, but if business is meant, it would take a strong force to keep them from hurrying to the front, wounded though they are, to take a hand in what they look upon as a personal vengeance.

"We were warned not to go to Havana," one said yesterday, "being told that danger awaited us there. When we got there, we were again told—and it was current rumor—that the harbor bottom was honeycombed with mines. We had chosen our anchorage and rested there for several hours, but the harbor master compelled us to weigh and proceed to a spot marked by a buoy. We were reviled on the streets of Havana, sneered at until our blood boiled and found out for our own satisfaction it was necessary to make our visits to the city in force. No man dared to go it alone. There was no knowing what would happen to him."

"The explosion itself is the best evidence that it was a mine or torpedo. There were two sharp and distinct reports. The first was like a peal of thunder close at hand—a sound as of ripping parchment, a quick report, followed by a tremendous and awful roar and then darkness and chaos, made more horrible by the screams of dying men, the fierce shouts of those fighting for egress and the moans of those who were hemmed in to die by fire or by drowning. The Spanish warship was lying close at hand and Morro castle was not a pistol shot away. Both have search lights, but none were turned upon us to help in the work of rescue and because of the darkness many brave men, who could have been rescued, went down to Davy Jones."

The Court of Inquiry.

Washington, February 21.—The naval court of inquiry appointed to investigate the Maine disaster will begin its work at Havana today. This news came to the navy department yesterday morning from Admiral Seward at Key West. He simply telegraphed as follows: "The court of inquiry sails for Havana 20th by lighthouse steamer Mangrove. Marx arrived yesterday."

This prompt action is undoubtedly due to the express direction from Secretary Long sent yesterday to have the investigation begun at the earliest possible moment. The telegram was dated yesterday, so the board should have arrived there before nightfall, and will be ready to begin their work tomorrow morning.

By an error incident to the haste with which the orders were gotten out, the first account placed Lieutenant Commander Sinton Schroeder on the board as the third member, while as a matter of fact Lieutenant Commander Porter, the executive officer of the flagship New York, holds that place. The board undoubtedly would have started previously but for the necessity of awaiting arrival at Key West from Washington of Lieutenant Commander Marx, a naval officer well skilled in the intricacies of marine law, who is to be the judge advocate of the court.

Improvements at Yoakum.

Yoakum, Texas, February 21.—New buildings are still going up. Judge P. H. Green's handsome two-story residence is nearing completion; valuable improvements have been made to the Methodist parsonage; a large brick store is soon to be erected at the east corner of Front street and Grand avenue; Berry's brick store on Grand avenue, is now ready for occupancy.

Transval Belligerent.

London, February 21.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail says:

The Transval government is mounting guns at Johannesburg and conveying Maxim's, shells, rifles and cartridges to the point in an offensive and ostentatious manner. During the last week eight railways truck loads of war material were paraded through the streets of Johannesburg and carried under escort of an artillery detachment to the fort on the hill outside of the town.

The L. S. Ross Memorial.

College Station, Texas, February 21.—The ex-cadets of the Agricultural and Mechanical college of Texas, as expression of their appreciation of the great work accomplished by General L. S. Ross in the upbuilding and establishment on a firm basis of a great institution for the education of the young men of Texas, have decided to erect a monument on the college campus to honor the memory of him they loved so well, and to impress his life history upon other students who will in after years partake of the benefit of his arduous labors.

An earnest appeal is made to every ex-cadet of the Agricultural and Mechanical college; to every citizen of the state of Texas who reveres the memory of General Ross; to every ex-Confederate that honors the name of one of the noblest most chivalrous spirits that ever drew a sword in defense of home and country.

The best years of his life were given to the education of the youth of the state he loved so well and it is appropriate that the example of his life should be constantly before the young men of Texas. This can not more fittingly be accomplished than by the erection of a monument on the college campus where the ripe years of his illustrious life were spent.

Those wishing to forward this movement should send contributions to members of the executive committee: W. B. Philpott, chairman, College Station.

C. C. Todd, secretary, College Station.
F. A. Reichardt, treasurer, Houston.
T. H. Franklin, Houston.
G. H. Rhodes, Bryan.

The Texas Offices.

Washington, February 21.—There was a final conference yesterday between the high contracting powers over the Texas state. After spending nearly four hours in argument and discussion, the conferees were unable to agree and the Austin collectorship case is now up to the present, who will pick the winner as soon as he gets time. There are only three candidates now left in the field; Green is backing Flanagan; Hawley is backing Henry Ferguson, and Grant is Charles Ferguson's sponsor. No other case except the collectorship was discussed by the conferees.

Appointments in Green's, Grant's and Hawley's districts will be left to each of the gentlemen respectively. The balance of the state appointments will be made through the regular organization.

While Major Joe Burke's name was not considered by the conference, his friends here claim that he is by no means out of the race for collector and they further urge that the failure of the conference to agree on one of their men may result in Burke's selection by the president, as he has the strongest outside backing of any other applicant.

Visited Galveston.

Galveston, Texas, February 21.—This was a record-breaking day in the number of persons who visited the battleships now in Galveston harbor. People were here from all points of the state and conservative estimates place the number of strangers here at 5000. The wharf at the foot of Tremont street was crowded all day and many were taken out who were not permitted to board the ships. A brisk north wind made the bay choppy and rough but the large crowds were maddled without a single accident. The main line Santa Fe brought a heavy train of excursionists, but Houston furnished a larger delegation than any other one town.

On Tuesday there will be a grand parade, in which the marines from the battleships will take part. That will close the week's programme and on Wednesday the big boats will steam out of the harbor.

Constable Ambushed and Shot.

Little Rock, Ark., February 21.—E. G. Massey, a prominent citizen and constable of Franklin township, Little River county, was murdered in a horrible manner at a point six miles from Ashdown Saturday night by two negroes he was trying to arrest. Massey was shot from ambush, his lungs being torn from his body by the bullets. Excitement runs high and a triple lynching is probable if the men are captured by the dead man's friends.

Collin county is now entirely out of debt. Besides \$64,000 worth of permanent school fund bonds, the credits to the various funds were sworn to by the county judge and commissioners as correct in actual cash and assets.

Goldthwaite, Texas, February 21.—Mr. H. G. Forehand, a gentleman living nine miles southwest on the Colorado river, has discovered a fine coal bed on his farm. Samples of it were on exhibition at Mr. B. A. Harris' store Saturday. There are extensive iron ore fields in the same vicinity, with lime rock in close proximity.

The Weikner farm, where gold has been discovered, is only a few miles away. Mr. Weikner reported to your correspondent Saturday that he was finding gold but not yet in paying quantities.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Eczema All Her Life.

Mr. E. D. Jenkins, of Lithonia, Ga., says that his daughter, Ida, inherited a severe case of Eczema, which the usual mercury and potash remedies failed to relieve. Year by year she was treated with various medicines, external applications and internal remedies, without result. Her sufferings were intense, and her condition grew steadily worse. All the so-called blood remedies did not

seem to reach the disease at all until S.S.S. was given, when an improvement was at once noticed. The medicine was continued with favorable results, and now she is cured sound and well, her skin is perfectly clear and pure and she has been saved from what threatened to blight her life forever.

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ALABAMA TO THE FRONT.

Mr. J. B. Gilmore.

Anniston, Ala., writes: Have been using Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine 12 years. It has cured me and many others of Indigestion and Dyspepsia. I think there is quite a difference in the strength of it, and "Zellin's" and "Black Drought," Dr. M. A. S. L. M. being much stronger.

Pregnancy. During the period of pregnancy the mental and physical condition of the mother inevitably determine the important faculties and essential qualities of her offspring. If she is physically well-developed and healthy, pregnancy will bring no burden or suffering; childbirth will be easy and comparatively painless, and her offspring will be robust health and a happy disposition. But there are very few women who are not sick and diseased in some way, and who suffer from various sympathetic disturbances during pregnancy. The morning sickness, nausea and vomiting and other disturbances can be appeased by using Dr. Simmons' Squaw Vine Wine, which settles the stomach and gives tone to the system. The bowels should be regulated with Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine.

E. T. Powell

Janitor, Ala., writes: For Indigestion and Biliousness have used Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine 25 years. It cured M. J. Clark of Cramps in Stomach, and a d. d. more for Mr. M. L. Clark in Change of Life than the doctors had done in four years. I think it is for Superior "Black Drought" or "Zellin's Regulator."

Melanoholy.

Where there exists nervous disturbance of the sexual organs, there is frequently great pain felt during menstruation, ovarian irritation and a so-called "irritable" or sensitive uterus, giving rise to manifold nervous and hysterical symptoms. The sufferer is agitated about trifles and worried by the fear that everything will go wrong. The condition is a serious one as it may end in persistent hypochondria, followed by insanity.

Quick relief may be obtained by stimulating the digestive organs with Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, and Dr. Simmons' Squaw Vine Wine will regulate the menstrual function by toning up the tissues of the uterus.